

Question	Response
Is the Advantage order update just for products?	Confirming that order status posting is just for products.
Can you enter a future ship date for backordered items?	No. Items can only have one status at a time. If marked as backordered, it will need to be changed to shipped once shipped.
In the PO Portal, would you confirm that if a contractor fills in "CN" for cancel, it is only done because the customer has cancelled their order?	No, an order can be cancelled by a vendor or a customer.
Can you leave a note or comment by the order ?	Currently, a note cannot be added to an order but GSA is hoping to upgrade the status process in the future.
Do we register directly on the purchase order status portal?	For MAS contractors, when your first order is placed from GSA Advantage, you will be sent an email with a link to register.
Any additional guidance for an EDI interface?	More information on EDI/cXML orders can be found on the VSC website under EDI & cXML Documentation. https://vsc.gsa.gov/
My purchase orders usually arrive via fax, will VAMC's be shifting over to the GSA portal?	The significant changes outlined in this webinar and the GSA Interact notice published on March 26, 2019 impact Multiple Award Schedules administered by GSA.
Is a tracking number required and can a vendor initiate a cancellation?	A tracking number is not required and a vendor can initiate a cancellation.
Does this apply to 65 I B Drugs and Pharmaceuticles?	The significant changes outlined in this webinar and the GSA Interact notice published on March 26, 2019 impact Multiple Award Schedules administered by GSA.
As a small business, will we be given time to implement these changes?	Yes, like all contractors, the implementation time frame extends to October 1, 2019 (6 months from the April Refresh) to become fully compliant.
Will today's slides be made available for download?	The webinar slidedeck and these Q&A's will be attached to the original GSA Interact refresh/mass modification notice posted on March 26, 2019
How is GSA going to enforce removing ETS items from their contract if they are not AbilityOne distributors?	GSA conducts periodic reviews of electronic catalogs on GSA Advantage to identify any items that are Essentially the Same (ETS) as mandatory AbilityOne procurement list items. GSA then notifies the Schedule contractor of the ETS determination, and after a challenge period concludes, unilaterally removes the items from GSA Advantage and issues contract modifications to remove the items from the Schedule contract.
For products that are built to order and will have a future scheduled ship date, will this feature be added in the future	This will be considered during the regular systems change cycle.

Are all products required to be sect 508 compliant?	<p>MAS contracts may include noncompliant Information and Communication Technology (ICT), however, requiring and ordering activities must ensure ICT supplies or services meet the applicable accessibility standards at 36 CFR Part 1194, unless an exception applies, at the time a task or delivery order is issued. Please refer to FAR Subpart 39.2 for more information.</p> <p>Learn more about the Section 508 standards by visiting the United States Access Board website:</p> <p>https://www.access-board.gov/guidelines-and-standards/communications-and-it/about-the-section-508-standards</p>
Will the SCA update of the Solicitations be aligned with the most recent WDs revisions as available on the DoL WDs website?	The upcoming solicitation refresh/mass modification will incorporate Wage Determinations published in April 2019.
Are you going to provide a video of this presentation?	No, the webinar slidedeck and these Q&A's will be attached to the original GSA Interact refresh/mass modification notice posted on March 26, 2019
Can you touch on the AbilityOne requirement again?	Provisions SCP-FSS-001-N and SCP-FSS-001-S, paragraph (k)(1), AbilityOne Program Products, have been updated to reflect that an offeror who is not an authorized AbilityOne distributor must remove commercial products that are considered “essentially the same” (ETS) as AbilityOne products from its FSS proposal. This requirement applies to all FSS proposals regardless of Schedule or Special Item Number (SIN). Offerors can search for products on the procurement list at https://www.abilityone.gov/procurement_list/ .
Are orders that are received by fax/email (not via the portal) require status updates in the portal?	The PO Portal is only for orders placed using GSA Advantage. All orders placed from GSA Advantage will go to the PO Portal unless you are using EDI/XML.
What are the websites for the press release and the Federal Marketplace? pg 6 in presentation	<p>To view the press release announcing MAS transformation, go to:</p> <p>https://www.gsa.gov/about-us/newsroom/news-releases/gsa-announces-transformation-of-multiple-awards-schedules</p> <p>To learn more about MAS transformation, visit the Federal Marketplace website at:</p> <p>https://www.gsa.gov/about-us/organization/federal-acquisition-service/fas-initiatives/federal-marketplace-strategy</p>

How do we comply with order status if we do not use EDI or PO Portal for fulfillment?	Email edistat@gsa.gov. For contractors initiating the EDI/XML status transaction process, it can take up to 90 days to become EDI-activated. Therefore, it is best for the contractor to pursue EDI onboarding (by emailing edistat@gsa.gov) as soon as possible after receiving and accepting the Mass Modification. For orders received via Advantage, you are required to use either EDI or Portal to process those orders..
If we receive orders via fax or direct email, will we be required to provide status and how should we do that.	All orders received from GSA Advantage will go to the PO Portal unless you receive EDI or XML orders. These orders require status.
A Notes section would be nice enhancement to add to the GSA PO Portal because certain manufacturer's have long lead times to ship due to custom configurations pertaining to these GSA Advantage orders.	GSA is considering a notes field as a future enhancement.